

It was quite interesting to watch the effect which the personals on Queen's Grads in Toronto produced. One of the boys when asked if he had seen the JOURNAL said no, and immediately wanted to know why the question was asked. Being told that he therein received personal mention, he swore, and wanted to know if they said he was drunk. "Why," said he, "I did not pay up my JOURNAL subscription for several years, and I thought they had forgotten me altogether and struck my name off their list. What do they say about me anyway?" Another has not yet seen the JOURNAL. He has been "guyed" by many and told his picture is true to life. He is dying to see it and is imagining all sorts of exaggerated things. He confessed one day that he did not take much stock in the JOURNAL, not subscribing for it, and now he is suffering the consequence thereof.

MR. T. H. MCGUIRL has taken Horace Greely's advice and has gone west, to teach in Sarnia. Mr. McGuirl is missed, especially by those occupying the first bench in the Philosophy Class. He has undauntedly attempted an answer to every question put to him by the Professor, and always kept the class in the best humor. We regret very much indeed that he did not remain with us a little longer to see us through with our political economy,

DR. JOHN CLARKE, '72, is doing a lively practice in Peterborough. While attending the Royal he always stood well up in the list, and at the end of his third year the position of House Surgeon at the General Hospital in this city was given to him. His professional career has been as successful as his college course. Some time ago he was appointed Medical Health Officer for Peterborough and Ashburnham, and recently the Dominion Government has made him statistical officer for the same district. He has many warm friends in Kingston.

Our old friend, Mr. Adam Shortt, '83, who has been in Scotland since he left Queen's, has finished his work there and is contemplating a return to Canada about the end of May.

FOOT-BALL.

SOME time ago Queen's sent a message to the Secretary of the Cornell Foot Ball Association to learn if it were possible to arrange for a match between Cornell and Queen's on next University Day, that is, about the middle of next October. However, those who had hoped for such an event have been disappointed, for the reply received recently by Mr. J. J. McLennan, Secretary of our Foot Ball Club, states that the Cornell men will find it impossible to visit Kingston on account of the number of engagements for future matches which have already been made. We regret this.

ALMA MATER.

THE lack of interest and the decreased attendance which characterize the meetings of the Alma Mater towards the end of the session are clearly exhibited now. The meetings are very poorly attended and but little is done at them, especially since it was decided that the usual conversazione was not to be held this year. There are few in Queen's who are so loyal to their Alma Mater as to risk their chance of vanquishing their examinations merely for the sake of securing a full attendance at the Society. We cannot grumble, however, for this. The society has been well attended during the past session. Its meetings were interesting, orderly and a few lively scenes made monotony impossible. The last meeting of session was held on the evening of Saturday, April 25th.

OSSIANIC.

WE regret that we have not been able to give more space in the columns of the JOURNAL to the actions of this lively little College Society. The meetings are regular and quite interesting, and are, in a slight degree, more of the free and easy style than those of its big sister, the Alma Mater, which, by the way, is not so much larger sometimes after all. The programmes are more of a varied character in the Ossianic than the Alma Mater. Readings from the poems of Ossian and songs of Scotland are introduced occasionally as a variation from the heavier features in the entertainment. We sincerely hope that next session the Society may be in as prosperous a condition as it has been during the one that has just ended.

CHOICE SAYING FROM THE "TALMUD."

VERY expressive is the following legend, one of many woven around the name of Alexander the Great:—
He wandered to the gates of Paradise and knocked for entrance.

"Who knocks?" demanded the guardian angel.

"Alexander!"

"Who is Alexander?"

"Alexander!—the Alexander!—Alexander the Great!—the conqueror of the world!"

"We know him not," replies the angel; "this is the Lord's gate; only the righteous enter here."

The Rabbis say—

"The world stands on three pillars—law, worship, and charity."

"When he who attends the synagogue regularly is prevented from being present, God asks for him."

"Who gives charity in secret is greater than Moses."

"I never call my wife 'wife,' but 'home,' for she indeed makes my home."

"Thy yesterday is thy past; thy to-day thy future; thy to-morrow is a secret."

"The best preacher is the heart; the best book is the world; the best friend is God."